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Re: U.S. Patent Application No. 10/091,281
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Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO):

1. Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136;
2. Response to Restriction Requirement; and
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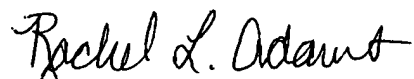
Applicants request that the \$110.00 fee for a one-month extension of time be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2387, referencing docket number 13587.338.

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Applicants do not believe any additional fees are due in conjunction with this filing. In the event that extensions of time beyond those petitioned for herewith are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. However, if any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 are required in the present application, then the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Arnold & Porter Deposit Account No. 50-2387, referencing docket number 13587.338. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

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